

# Help Out on State Natural Areas



## Orion Mussel Bed Workday



**Get out and enjoy the riverway!** We are teaming up with The Friends of the Lower Wisconsin Riverway (FLOW) to care for Orion Mussel Bed SNA. Orion mussel bed is known for mussels in the river but it also has several rare effigy mounds. DNR crews and volunteers have been working to clear brush and conduct burns on some of them. Volunteers will continue this effort by following up on previous efforts by cutting brambles and brush with brushsaws. This will benefit the plant community on the mounds. Be prepared to use a brushsaw, moderate fitness required.

**Date:** August 14

**Time:** 9-noon

**Directions:** From the junction of 60 and 80, just north of Muscoda travel east on 60 to the junction of OO and Gingers Rd. Take Gingers Rd south (right) to Aigner Ln. Turn right on Aigner Ln- staying straight until the dead end. [Google map.](#)

**What to wear:** Dress for the weather and wear clothes that are OK to get beat up (long pants and sleeves).

**What to bring:** Leather gloves, drinking water, bug spray, additional brushsaws if you have them.

**Contact, RSVP:** If you plan to come please contact Jared Urban at [jared.urban@wisconsin.gov](mailto:jared.urban@wisconsin.gov) or (608) 228-4349. Call if need help with directions.

**Cancellation plan:** If the workday is cancelled due to weather conditions, a message will be left at (608) 228-4349 two hours prior to the event. If there is no cancel message, the workday will continue as scheduled.



Cutting and treating brambles

